CLAIMS

1. (previously presented) An adaptor for a cup having a longitudinal axis, the cup having side walls and having a smaller bottom and forming a larger circular opening with a bead around [[the]] an opening, the adaptor comprising:

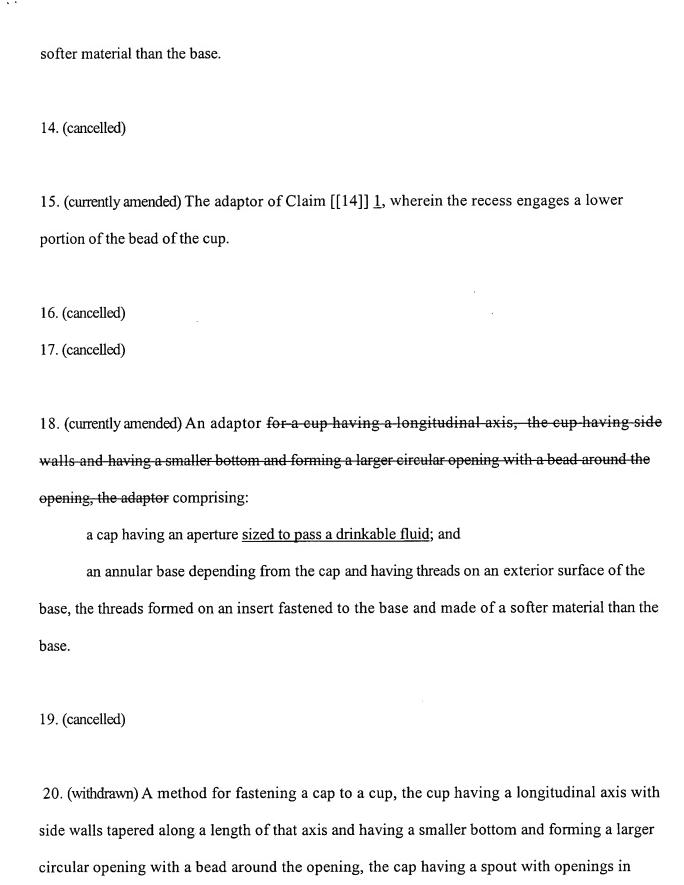
a cap having an aperture;

an annular base depending from the cap and having threads on an exterior surface of the base, the base having a recess sized to engage the bead of the cup, the base and threads being sized to threadingly engage the walls of the cup thereby deforming the walls of the cup; and

further comprising a lip opposite the base and defining a portion of the recess to more fully enclose the bead of the cup.

- 2. (original) The adaptor of Claim 1, further comprising at least one handle extending from the cap and along the longitudinal axis an axial distance that extends beyond the base.
- 3. (cancelled)
- 4. (cancelled)
- 5. (currently amended) The adaptor of Claim [[4]] 1, wherein the distance between the lip and an opposing wall of the base is smaller than a diameter of the bead of the cup to which the cap is fastened during use.
- 6. (original) The adaptor of Claim 1, wherein the base has a distal end tapered toward the longitudinal axis.

- 7. (currently amended) The adaptor of Claim 6, wherein [[the]] a relative taper between the base and the cup is less than about 5 degrees.
- 8. (original) The adaptor of Claim 1, wherein there are about four or fewer threads.
- 9. (original) The adaptor of Claim 1, further comprising a flat portion on the exterior, distal end of the base.
- 10. (original) The adaptor of Claim 1, wherein the recess comprises an annular recess having a circular cross-section and enclosed on three sides by the cap, the circular cross section having a center that is at about the same radius from the longitudinal axis as is the center of the bead of the cup from the longitudinal axis.
- 11. (original) The adaptor of Claim 1, wherein the recess comprises an annular recess having a circular cross-section and enclosed on three sides by the cap, the circular cross section having a center that is at a slightly larger radius from the longitudinal axis than is the center of the bead of the cup.
- 12. (original) The adaptor of Claim 1, wherein the threads are formed on an annular insert fastened to the base and made of a softer material than the base.
- 13. (original) The adaptor of Claim 1, wherein the threads comprise annular rings orthogonal to the longitudinal axis, and are formed on an annular insert fastened to the base and made of a



fluid communication with an inside of the cap, comprising:

providing an annular base depending from the cap with threads on an exterior surface of the base;

providing the base with a recess sized to engage the bead of the cup during use of the cap; and

threadingly engaging the walls of the cup with the threads.

- 21. (withdrawn) The method of Claim 20, further comprising threadingly engaging the walls of the cup with the threads until the recess engages the bead of the cup.
- 22. (withdrawn) The method of Claim 20, further comprising providing at least one handle to extend from the cap and along the longitudinal axis an axial distance that extends beyond the base.
- 23. (withdrawn) The method of Claim 21, further comprising providing a lip opposite the base and forming a portion of the recess and more fully enclosing the bead of the cup.
- 24. (withdrawn) The method of Claim 20, comprising forming the threads on an annular insert.
- 25. (withdrawn) The method of Claim 24, further comprising forming the annular insert of a softer material than the base.